

2020 SDOT Citywide SHS Survey Analysis for Alki Point Keep Moving Street: submitted 11/3/21

- In June 2021 private citizens made a public records request for the citywide Stay Healthy Street Survey results that SDOT conducted in the summer of 2020 that received over 9,000 responses.
- As of November 2, 2021 SDOT has still not released the full results of this survey to the public.
- What follows is an analysis of this survey data of people who selected “Alki – Beach Dr SW” when asked “which location do you live on or use most frequently?” in their response.
- For more information about this analysis please contact stayhealthyalkipoint@gmail.com



SHS 2020 Survey: Responses to the Alki Point KMS Overwhelming Positive

The Alki Point Keep Moving Street (KMS) received more responses (1,032) than any other SHS or KMS in the survey and they were overwhelmingly positive.

| Results from Stay Healthy Streets SDOT Summer 2020 Survey for Alki Point KMS | | |
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| Positive Responses | 657 | 64% |
| Negative Responses | 160 | 16% |
| No Answer | 130 | 13% |
| Mixed | 85 | 8% |
| Total | 1032 | |
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| Positive Vs. Negative | | |
| Positive Responses | 657 | 80% |
| Negative Responses | 160 | 20% |
| Total | 817 | |

- **Positive responses outnumbered negative 4 to 1.**
- Even if you count all mixed responses as negative responses, 73% of that combination are still positive.
- 1,919 of ALL survey takers (over 9,000), when asked, “Would you like to see any of these locations considered for a Stay Healthy Street?” cited Alki Point.

SHS 2020 Survey and Alki Point KMS: Positive Regardless of Race

Regardless of Race the responses were still overwhelmingly positive.

| By Race (of those reporting) | Positive | Negative | Ratio |
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| White | 488 | 78 | 6.25 to 1 |
| Black or African American | 29 | 4 | 7.25 to 1 |
| American Indian Or Alaska Native | 20 | 4 | 5 to 1 |
| Asian | 37 | 7 | 5.3 to 1 |
| Native Hawaiian | 4 | 2 | 2 to 1 |
| Other Race | 41 | 23 | 1.8 to 1 |

- Not all responses reported their race.
- A lower percentage of negative responses reported their race.
- Of those that specified their race, the numbers are even more dramatically positive.

SHS 2020 Survey and Alki Point KMS: People Felt Safer

The majority of people felt **safer as a result of the Keep Moving Street** and some had suggestions.

| Of All Positive Responses | | |
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| Said they felt "Safer" | 535 | 81% |
| Suggested design Improvements or raised issues that could be addressed through design improvements | 243 | 37% |
| Of All Negative Responses | | |
| Said, "I do not use Stay Healthy or Keep Moving Streets" | 57 | 36% |

- 81% of positive responses said that they either felt “Safe” on the street or mentioned safety as a benefit of the Alki Beach KMS somewhere in their response or both.
- 37% of positive responses suggested improvements or issues that could be addressed through further improvements. But it is important to remember these responses were positive about benefits the street currently provides.

2020 SHS Survey and Alki Point KMS:

Themes: What Some People Liked

A number of themes emerged when analyzing the data. Here's some of the main ones:

- **Improved Safety**
- Fewer cars (driving and parked), less traffic and congestion. ***Many attributed some or all other benefits of this street to this.***
- Improved access. Mention benefits to the elderly and children specifically.
- The reduction in noise, the peace and quiet of the street
- Health benefits and how the increased space provided the ability to safely exercise.
- Less pollution and litter, more sustainable and environmentally friendly.
- Improved community. People talking to people.
- Less illegal activity

2020 SHS Survey and Alki Point KMS:

Themes: What Some People Don't Like

- Cars not complying with rules of the street, disregarding local access, speeding, not deferring to pedestrians.
- Signage and language being unclear or unfriendly.
- Perceived privatization or lack of access.
- Relocating traffic and problems.
- Allowing people onto streets to recreate.

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Themes: What some People Suggested

- Separating people from cars
 - Improved signage and/or more signage
 - More speed humps
 - Reduced Parking
 - One-Way Street
 - More enforcement
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- *NOTE: Importantly, positive responses, the clear majority of all responses, did not suggest more cars be allowed on the street. On the contrary, if they made suggestions, they suggested ways of improving compliance and reducing vehicular traffic.*